

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend paragraph 46 as follows:

[0046] According to one embodiment of the present invention, every application includes a number of objects, or interfaces, for executing one or more services and for facilitating the billing of the subscriber for usage of the services. As shown in FIG. 4, App-S **195** includes an application object **200**, service object ~~**200**~~ **205** and offering object **210**. The application object **200** is that part of the application that must be exported by the App-S **195** to run the application on the STB **220**. The service object **205** is the application plus one or more parameters that define the particular service implemented by the App-S **195**. For instance, where Watch-TV represents the App-S **195**, CNN may be a service implemented by the Watch TV service. Different parameters provided to Watch-TV, on the other hand, may result in an HBO service. Therefore, for each App-S there may be many services definable by the service object **204**. Last, the offering object **210**, also referred to herein as the offering, defines the particular service item offered to a subscriber for purchase. For instance, the offering object **210** may comprise a particular movie purchasable by a subscriber from a MOD service.